

# FISCAL NOTE

**Bill #: HB0594**

**Title: Revise nonresident license fees and distribution of license revenue**

**Primary**

**Sponsor: Brad Molnar**

**Status: As introduced**

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Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Dave Lewis, Budget Director \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Fiscal Summary

	<b><u>FY2000 Difference</u></b>	<b><u>FY2001 Difference</u></b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
State Special Revenue	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
<b>Revenue:</b>		
State Special Revenue - New	\$1,557,729	\$1,557,729
State Special Revenue – Existing	\$2,752,685	\$2,752,685
State Special Revenue – Redirect	\$ 689,586	\$ 689,586

**Net Impact on General Fund Balance:** **\$0** **\$0**

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<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>		<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	
	<b>X</b>	Significant Local Gov. Impact	<b>X</b>		Technical Concerns
	<b>X</b>	Included in the Executive Budget		<b>X</b>	Significant Long-Term Impacts

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## Fiscal Analysis

### ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Even though there is a conflict with existing statutes, the fiscal note is based upon the bill as introduced.

2. Based on license year '97 sales, the higher prices for specific non-resident licenses will generate an additional \$1,557,729 that will be deposited into the general license account. No buyer resistance has been factored into these calculations.

<u>License</u>	<u>'97 Sales</u>	<u>Price Increase</u>	<u>Add'l Revenue</u>
Turkey	9,903	\$ 62	\$563,766
Moose	23	\$ 535	\$ 12,305
Sheep	77	\$1,035	\$ 79,695
Goat	7	\$1,035	\$ 7,245
Antelope	5,866	\$ 103	\$604,198
Black Bear	1,614	\$ 180	<u>\$290,520</u>
			\$1,557,729

3. Combined with the \$2,752,685 in variable priced non-resident combination licenses and the redirection of \$883,500 from the Habitat Montana account and \$126,500 from the Upland Game Bird account, this bill will generate or redirect \$5,320,414. In order to fund a \$5,000,000 hunter management and hunter access enhancement program, it will impact the following accounts:

General License Account	\$320,414
Habitat Montana Account	(\$883,500)
Upland Game Bird Account	<u>(\$126,500)</u>
Net Impact	(\$689,586)

**FISCAL IMPACT:****Dept. of FWP****FY2000  
Difference****FY2001  
Difference****Expenditures:**

Operating Expenses	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
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**Funding:**

State Special Revenue – Increased Fees	\$1,557,729	\$1,557,729
State Special Revenue – Existing	\$2,752,685	\$2,752,685
State Special Revenue – Redirect	\$689,586	\$ 689,586

**Revenues:**

State Special Revenue – Increased Fees	\$1,557,729	\$1,557,729
State Special Revenue – Existing	\$2,752,685	\$2,752,685

**Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Expenditure):**

State Special Revenue (02)	(\$689,586)	(\$689,586)
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**TECHNICAL NOTES:**

The distribution of non-resident licenses identified in this bill is in conflict with 87-1-242, MCA, and 87-1-246, MCA, that identify specific earmarking for certain non-resident licenses that fund the Habitat Montana and Upland Game Bird programs.